



## State of Tennessee

### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 237

By Senators Berke, Watson, Herron, Harper

and

Representative McCormick

A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Molly Sasse on being named a 2011 Chattanooga Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, on May 3, 2011, Molly Sasse will be recognized as a 2011 Chattanooga Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association at the organization's 26th Annual Women of Distinction Awards Luncheon; and

WHEREAS, to be held at the Chattanooga Convention Center, this prestigious event honors a number of women who have distinguished themselves through their professional, civic, and volunteer service; the event also benefits the important work of the American Lung Association in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, honoree Molly Sasse is the Executive Director of the Chattanooga Symphony and Opera, for which she supervises a full-time staff, making the Chattanooga Symphony and Opera thrive in all aspects, from opera production to fundraising; and

WHEREAS, in addition to providing expert guidance at the Chattanooga Symphony and Opera, she has held leadership roles in many arts and music organizations, including serving as the Executive Director of Allied Arts of Greater Chattanooga, through which she helped raise over \$30 million for the arts in Chattanooga; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, Mrs. Sasse received two national awards for her fundraising efforts, the Michael Newton Award and the Arts Administrator of the Year Award, presented by the Kennedy Center; and

WHEREAS, strongly committed to community and public service, Molly Sasse has endeavored to serve her fellow citizens by volunteering her time to a number of worthy causes and organizations, and has served as Vice-President for Development of Siskin Hospital; and

WHEREAS, her many accomplishments aside, Mrs. Sasse is most appreciative of the love and support she receives from her husband, Jim Sasse, and her two wonderful children, David and Mary; and

WHEREAS, epitomizing the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean, Molly Sasse takes her place among the many noble citizens who have earned this State the nickname of "The Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, the success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, on the dedication of people like Mrs. Sasse, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore,

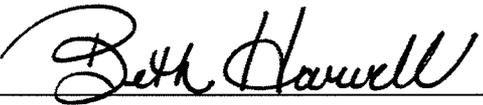
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Molly Sasse on being named a 2011 Chattanooga Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association, thank her for all she has done to make Chattanooga and this State a better place to live and work, and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: May 2, 2011

  
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RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 2011

  
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BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR